

NEBRASKA SUPREME COURT



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The Judicial Resources Commission will hold its annual meeting pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 24-1205 to determine whether (1) a new judgeship is appropriate in any judicial district or a reduction in judgeships is appropriate in any judicial district, or (2) the judicial district boundaries or the number of judicial districts should be changed for the district or county courts. The Commission shall also examine current caseload statistics and make any appropriate recommendations for the more balanced use of existing judicial resources.

Due to the retirement of the Honorable George A. Thompson, effective December 31, 2006, the Commission will also determine, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 24-1204, based on the judicial workload statistics, whether a judicial vacancy exists in the office of district judge of the 2nd Judicial District.

Due to the retirement of the Honorable Jane H. Prochaska, effective December 31, 2006, the Commission will also determine, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 24-1204, based on the judicial workload statistics, whether a judicial vacancy exists in the office of county judge of the 4th Judicial District.

The Commission will also discuss the National Center for State Courts judicial workload assessment study.

The hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, December 19, 2006, at 10:00 a.m., central time. The hearing will be held via video conferencing from the State Capitol Building, Room 1525, Lincoln, Nebraska, and will include participation from the Panhandle Learning Center, 4502 Ave. I, High Plains Room, Scottsbluff, Nebraska, from the State Office Building, Room 207, Second Floor, 1313 Farnam Street, Omaha, Nebraska, and from the Hastings Public Library, Second Floor, 517 West 4th Street, Hastings, Nebraska.

Following the hearing, the commission will make a recommendation to the Legislature of its determination.

Commission members are:

Supreme Court Justice Michael McCormack,
Chairperson

Alan L. Brodbeck, O'Neill
Robert B. O'Neal, Papillion
Thomas F. Hoarty, Omaha
Jolanda J. Kuzma, Lincoln
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Sharlon Rodgers, Omaha

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Patricia McQuillan, Greeley
D. Paul Hartnett, Bellevue

Any member of the public is entitled to attend the Nebraska Judicial Resources Commission hearing in Room 1525 of the State Capitol, Lincoln, Nebraska, and present, either orally or in writing, any pertinent information concerning the existence of a judicial vacancy. If anyone wishes to present written material at the hearing, a copy of such material should be furnished to the Chairperson at least one week prior to the hearing.

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